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# King County Board for Developmental Disabilities

MINUTES

Day/Date: Wednesday, April 1, 2009

**Time:** 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

**Location:** Region 4, Large Conference Room

1700 East Cherry Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Seattle, WA 98122

Board Members Present: Ted Daniels, Margaret Birdsey, Kathy Trimbach

Board Members Absent: Kevin Bernadt, Kevin Henderson, Alfred Lewis,

**Bret Stewart, Candice Styer** 

**Board Members Excused:** Hameed Quraishi

**John Nesbitt** 

Guest Present: Wendy Randall, Atwork!

Chris Brandt, Atwork! Kathy Sellars, LifeSPAN Bill Sellars, LifeSPAN

Joanne O'Neill, The Arc of King County, King County

**Parent Coalition** 

Sandy Duncan, King County Interagency

Coordinating Council (KCICC)

Jesse foster, Provail Gina Solberg, Provail

Jim Corey, Washington Initiative for Supported

Employment (WISE)

Alison McCormick, Seattle Central Community

College, Mainstay

Sara McIlvaine, Puget Sound Personnel Dianna Vaughn, Service Alternatives Anton Saunsaucie, Service Alternatives

Lisa Turner, LTA, Inc.

Lauren Caldwell, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

\*Listed above are individuals who signed the roster

**Department of Social and Human Services, Region 4:** Michelle Bauchman

King County Staff Present: Jane Campbell, Kelley Faulkner, Cheryl Green,

Ray Jensen, and Michaelle Monday

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# **INTRODUCTIONS AND CHAIR'S COMMENTS**

The Board for Developmental Disabilities meeting convened at 9:35 a.m. on April 1, 2009, at Region 4 in the Large Conference Room. Ted Daniels, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Due to the lack of quorums at the February and April Board meetings, the December 2008 and February 2009 Board Minutes have not been approved.

## **BIRTH TO THREE WORK PLAN UPDATE**

Jane Campbell provided an update on the Birth to Three work plan for children services. Staff has begun working with the Department of Community and Human Services on the work plan and it has become obvious that the challenges are greater than first anticipated. The work plan will be presented to the Board and the King County Interagency Coordinating Council for advisement and will include a stakeholder process before implementation.

Sandy Duncan, Chair, King County Interagency Coordinating Council presented information regarding proposed budget cuts to the Public Health system that would prevent long-term stable and adequate sources of funding to sustain the health of families in our communities. The community must act now to restore adequate funding for critical services and stop further cuts. Sandy is in attendance today to request the Board's support in drafting a letter to Legislators expressing the affects the budget cuts will have on children with special healthcare needs.

# REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) UPDATE

Ray Jensen reported on the Employment Services RFQ's release date, which is expected within the next month. If you have any questions, contact Irma Hill at 206-263-9046 or by email at Irma.Hill@Kingcounty.gov.

#### **GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT**

Joanne O'Neill distributed the 2009-2011 Budget Comparison Chart listing budget items for the Governor, Senate, and House. Joanne encouraged everyone to contact their legislators and ask that the House sustain the current administration of employment and day services programs through the counties.

#### **REPORTS**

#### REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR / FIELD SERVICES REPORT

Michelle Bauchman reported the hard work of the case managers in the transition process of Adult State-only clients to the Basic Waiver program. Region 4 surpassed the targeted number of individuals to be moved to a Waiver. Region 4, in collaboration with King County, held two forums, one in Seattle and one in Kent, to provide individuals



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with information about the transfer, complete the required paperwork, and schedule assessments, as needed.

#### KING COUNTY DIVISION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ray Jensen distributed copies of the House and the Senate's 2009 – 2011 Omnibus Operating Budget from the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD). The documents included the 2007-2009 estimated expenditures, 2009-2011 maintenance level, and policy changes. The House budget proposes to move administration of Employment and Day programs from the counties to the Washington State DSHS/DDD. Ray encouraged others to contact their legislators to communicate the impact to small/rural counties. In addition to the potential loss of local Millage funds, Ray presented information about the impact this change would have on counties. Ray will email data to Board members detailing the impact to the counties.

#### **BOARD RECRUITMENT**

The Board for Developmental Disabilities is seeking residents of King County interested in serving on the Board. The Board is a 15-member citizen's advisory board, which provides oversight of community services for residents of the County who have mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or other neurological impairments, and their families. The Board develops plans, makes recommendations on the use of available funds, and advocates for increases in state funding and improvements in services.

# **NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2009, from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at Region 4, located at 1700 E. Cherry Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room.

#### **ADJOURNED**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.



